Modified claims:

1. N-hydroxy-4-(3-phenyl-5-methyl-isoxazole-4-yl)-benzenesulfonamide solvates of formula (I)

wherein [solvate] represents water,  $C_1$ - $C_4$  alcohol,  $C_1$ - $C_4$  alkylester of  $C_1$ - $C_3$  carboxylic acid or dioxane.

- 2. A compound of formula (I) as claimed in Claim 1, wherein the solvate represents water.
- 3. A compound of formula (I) as claimed in Claim 1, wherein the solvate represents ethylacetate.
- 4. A compound of formula (I) as claimed in Claim 1, wherein the solvate represents 2-propanol.
- 5. A compound of formula (I) as claimed in Claim 1, wherein the solvate represents dioxane.
- 6. Process for producing N-hydroxy-4-(3-phenyl-5-methyl-isoxazole-4-yl)-benzenesulfonamide solvates compounds of formula (I) wherein solvate represents  $C_1$ - $C_4$  alkylester of  $C_1$ - $C_3$  carboxylic acid or dioxane, characterized by that the 3,4-diphenyl-5-methyl-izoxazole of formula (III)

is reacted with chlorosulfonic acid and the product 3-phenyl-4-(4-chlorosulfonyl-phenyl)-5-methyl-isoxazole (II)

is reacted with hydroxylamine

- a.) in mixture of water and water miscible solvent or
- b.) in mixture of non-water-miscible solvent and water in presence of phase transfer catalyst, and the product is crystallized from a solvent chosen from a  $C_1$ - $C_4$  alkylester of

C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub> carboxylic acid or dioxane.

- 7. Process as claimed in Claim 6 characterized by that the phase-transfer catalyst is tetrabutylammonium hydrogensulfate.
- 8. Process as claimed in Claim 6 characterized by that the recrystallization was carried out from ethyl acetate.
- 9. Process for producing N-hydroxy-4-(3-phenyl-5-methyl-isoxazole-4-yl)-benzenesulfonamide solvate compounds of formula (I) wherein solvate represents water, characterized by that the 3,4-diphenyl-5-methyl-izoxazole of formula (III)

is reacted with chlorosulfonic acid and the product 3-phenyl-4-(4-chloro-sulfonyl-phenyl)-5-methyl-isoxazole (II)

is reacted with hydroxylamine

- a.) in mixture of water and water miscible solvent or
- b.) in mixture of non-water-miscible solvent and water in presence of phase transfer catalyst,

and the product is crystallized from a mixture of water and ethanol, optionally containing ascorbic acid.

- 10. Use of compounds of formula (I) claimed in any of Claims 1-5 for producing pharmaceutical composition for treatment of osteoarthritis and rheumatoid arthritis and surgical and primary dysmenorrheal pains.
- 11. Pharmaceutical composition containing a compound of formula (I) as claimed in any of Claims 1-5 and one or more therapeutically acceptable pharmaceutical carriers.
- 12. Pharmaceutical composition as claimed in Claim 11 characterized by that the one of the carriers is ascorbic acid.
- 13. A method for treatment of osteoarthritis and rheumatoid arthritis and surgical and primary dysmenorrheal pains comprising treating the patient in need with therapeutically effective dose of a compound of formula (I) as claimed in any of Claims 1-5.

14. A method for treatment of osteoarthritis and rheumatoid arthritis and surgical and primary dysmenorrheal pains comprising treating the patient in need with therapeutically effective dose of a pharmaceutical composition as claimed in any of Claims 11-12.